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CALIFORNIA MAN AND TWO OTHERS INDICTED FOR METH TRAFFICKING

PRESS RELEASE

Indianapolis - Federico Alonso Betancourt of California, and Juan Rubio-Gonzalez and Jose Efren Gonzales, both citizens of Mexico, were indicted yesterday by a federal grand jury sitting in Indianapolis with conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute in excess of 500 grams of methamphetamine, following an investigation by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department.

Betancourt, Rubio-Gonzalez, and Gonzales were arrested on February 28, 2010 in Marion County by law enforcement officers while distributing methamphetamine on the west side of Indianapolis.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Josh J. Minkler, who is prosecuting the case for the government, Betancourt, Rubio-Gonzalez, and Gonzales each face a maximum of life imprisonment and a \$4,000,000 fine. An initial hearing will be scheduled for in the near future before a U.S. Magistrate Judge.

An indictment is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt. A defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial at which the government must prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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